

The Trapper's Express

A Monthly Publication for the Citizens of Fort Lupton City of Fort Lupton's July 2014 Newsletter

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"Fort Lupton is an open canvas, come paint your future with us"

Museum News

Our lovely historic Friendship Quilt is 100 years old! This quilt was made by the Ladies Aid Society of the Methodist Church in 1914 and raffled off in a fund raiser in 1915. It was signed by 100 of the first residents of the town of Fort Lupton, and is registered with the Colorado Historical Society. Over the years, we have had many people request to see and photograph the quilt as a part of their family histories. These visitors have come from all over the country. We now have a very nice case, donated by the City, in which to display the quilt full time.

We just recently received a very large and wonderful charcoal drawing of the Museum. The drawing was created by a former art teacher from the Middle School and several of his students.

This year, the Museum is looking forward to several remodeling projects. We are hoping to have the upstairs interior painted, the floors refinished, new window coverings, and basement bathrooms remodeled.

Last but not least we will be holding our 3rd Annual Ice Cream Social and Open House, September 6th from 11:00am to 2:00pm.

As always, the Museum is looking for volunteers with all kinds of talents. Donations of Fort Lupton High School Yearbooks and Fort Lupton School memorabilia from all grades are welcome, along with any photos and stories of Fort Lupton celebrations and the town's people.

THE HEAT IS HERE!

Please do not leave children or pets in your car unattended. Remember that even with the windows cracked, the temperature inside the vehicle can rise from 85 degrees to 102 degrees in 10 minutes and to 120 degrees in 20 minutes!

UPCOMING 2014 UTILITY BILLING DATES	
08/01 LATE NOTICES SENT	09/02 LATE NOTICES SENT
08/13 BILL DUE DATE	09/17 BILL DUE DATE
08/21 SHUT OFF	09/18 SHUT OFF
08/25 NEW BILLS MAILED	09/26 NEW BILLS MAILED

Hunter Safety Classes

Classes are Tuesday and Thursday for 2 weeks (August 26 & 28 and September 3 & 4). \$10 fee, paid to the instructor. Ages 10 and up may attend. Classes will be at the Fort Lupton Rec Center from 6-9pm. Please call to pre-register: 303-857-4200.



Police Blotter

Since I started with the City of Fort Lupton in February of 2010, I have had several people ask me why the Police Department is involved in so many functions that are not law enforcement related. We are involved in every celebration that the City helps with and usually in more than a security function. In fact, in 2011 the Police Department planned and ran the Trapper's Day event. We cook for our senior citizens, help to organize food distribution, assist at the food bank, work with the Family Resource Center, and help out in a myriad of other community events.

Part of this comes from our motto "Find a way to help", which was here when I came. I also believe that the more community members know one another, work and play together, the less crime will happen. I would rather have officers preventing crime than investigating it. Preventing criminal activity is just as important as teaching folks how to not be a victim. It's less expensive than building bigger fences, installing stronger locks, or cleaning up after the carnage of crime.

This last month the U.S. Department of Justice confirmed my beliefs. In a report entitled: *New Tools for Community Involvement and Crime Control*, the researchers found that "the majority of crime control actually results from the everyday activities of citizens". They also found that the more social cohesion a community has, the more they can assist in crime reduction and crime prevention. There appears to be a direct correlation between "the way people interact, share common goals and values and trust one another, and the level of crime".

National Night Out is August 5th this year. I hope to see you all at the park across from the Police Department that night for a time filled with fun, food, and fellowship. Please get out and meet your neighbors and get involved in our great little city. At your service.

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After Hours Utility Emergencies: 303-994-3540 Emergency: 911 Police Station: 303-857-4011 Weld County Dispatch: 720-652-4222

DUMPSTER APPROVAL

Public Works must approve the location and duration of all commercial dumpsters and dumpsters used for residential renovation. Once approved, a permit will be placed on the dumpster for the allotted time. Any dumpsters not approved and permitted are subject to citation. Please contact the Public Works Department at 303-857-6694 x-112.



FORT LUPTON ASSISTANCE

421 Denver Avenue 303-857-1096 The Fort Lupton Food and Clothing Bank hours are Monday through Friday 2:30 to 4:30 pm.

38th Annual Fort Lupton Trapper Days Booth and Vendor Application Available

The Fort Lupton Trapper Days Committee is seeking booths and vendors for the upcoming Trapper Days scheduled for the weekend of September 5-7, 2014. Booths and vendors will be located on Denver Avenue and available to the public all day on Saturday, September 6, 2014, immediately following the Trapper Days Parade. Booths will need to be dismantled by 5:30 pm on the 6th.

This year's theme is "The Fort Lupton Tapestry: A Beautiful Blend of Past, Present and People!" Booths and vendors are encouraged to follow the theme of this year's event.

Booths are encouraged from non-profit, youth-related groups, businesses seeking to promote their business, and food vendors. Non-profit informational and youth-related groups will not have to pay a fee. Non-profit sales groups will be charged \$20 for their booth. Business, food or information, along with non-food vendor sales, will be charged \$30 for their booth space. The Weld County Department of Public Health and Environment has specific requirements which all food vendors must comply with for this event. Further food information is available by calling the department at 970-304-6415 or visiting their website. The sale of knives, firearms, illegal weapons or fireworks of any type is strictly prohibited.

All booths are 12' x 12' and operators are expected to supply their own tables, chairs, display equipment, power, and overhead covering.

Details and applications available at www.fortlupton.org. For further questions please contact Mona Sandoval at 720-466-6129 or via email at sandoval.mona1@gmail.com . All applications for booths must be complete and received by August 29. 2014

ACTIVE ADULTS CALENDAR

Active Adults over 60 are invited to a weekly luncheon held on Mondays, 11am - 1pm. Call 303-857-4200 by the previous Thursday for required reservations. Donation is \$3 per person. We play bingo the 2^{nd} and 4^{th} Mondays of the month after lunch.

Rowdy Bunch Coffee - Wednesdays 7:30am to 9:30am in the senior lounge. We enjoy donuts, fruit and laughter. No charge.

Blood Pressure Checks– 2nd and 4th Monday of the month, the firemen / paramedics come and give quick blood pressure checks.

Dime Bingo - 2nd and 4th Monday at 1 p.m. Nine games - bring 10 dimes and a nickel.

Mah-Jongg - 1 p.m. on the 1st and 3rd Mondays, and 2 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Mondays (after bingo) in the Senior Lounge.

Medicare / Medicaid Counseling- available to all seniors the 3rd Thursday of each month. To schedule a 45 minutes appointment, call 303-857-4200, ext. 166. For general questions call Centura Health at 970-347-8743.

Legal Counseling— Weld County AAA is providing legal services to seniors on the 2nd Thursday of each month. Call 303-857-4200, ext. 166 to schedule appointments.

Potluck Luncheon—3rd Thursday at noon in the multipurpose room. Free with donations accepted.

Friday Snack-n-Chat— 2nd and 4th Friday of the month 1-3pm. Snacks and drinks will be provided. Watch the Senior Bulletin Board for guest speakers that may come. No reservations needed, please drop in and say "Hi".

Book Discussion Group- A casual meeting of avid readers on the last Thursday of each month from 11:30am to 12:30pm. No registration required.

Casino Trips:

August 12- Bull Durham Casino- 8:30am-4:30pm, \$15 fee

Please call 303-857-4200 if you have any questions about the Active Adults events & activities. Reservations are required unless otherwise noted.

ELECTRICITY / STREET LIGHT OUTAGES

If your power remains out for longer than a few minutes, or to report an electrical safety hazard, or to report a street light outage, please call **United Power at 303-637-1350**.